

4089. Adulteration of milk. U. S. v. Ed. Renner. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25 and costs. (F. & D. No. 5826. I. B. Nos. 439-h, 442-h.)

On January 18, 1915, the United States attorney for the District of Kansas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Ed. Renner, Corliss, Kans., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about July 15, 1913, from the State of Kansas into the State of Missouri, of a quantity of milk which was adulterated.

Analyses of samples of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

	Organisms per cc.		B. coli group per cc.	Streptococci per cc.
	Plain agar, 25° C.	Litmus lactose agar, 25° C.		
Sample 1:				
No. 1.....	19,000	16,000	1,000	10,000
No. 2.....	20,000	15,000	1,000	100,000
Sample 2:				
No. 1.....	15,000	14,000	1,000	1,000,000
No. 2.....	17,000	15,000	1,000	1,000,000

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that said article was sold and delivered as and for pure milk, when, in truth and in fact, it consisted in part of filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substances.

On April 8, 1915, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

G. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 1, 1915.